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**LETTER**

Sir:

This letter is in response to the Communication mailed from the Patent Office on August 4, 2006, but which was not received by Applicant's attorney until October 13, 2006. The Communication contained a Notice of Improper Request for Continued Examination (RCE) which is attached to this reply. As noted therein, the Request for Continued Examination filed on July 25, 2006 was not accompanied by a submission as required by 37 CFR 1.114. However, a Suspension of Action of three months under 35 CFR 1.103(c) was included with the Request for Continued Examination.

In response to the Notice, an AMENDMENT IN RCE AND REPLY TO FINAL REJECTION is being filed in the United States Patent and Trademark Office today along with this letter as a submission to be considered with the RCE. Also, enclosed is a Petition (and fee) for extending the deadline for responding to the final rejection for 3 months until October 25, 2006.

In view of the above, and the accompanying documents, favorable reconsideration of the claims of the above identified application is requested.

In the event any additional fees are due in connection with the filing of this document, the Commissioner is authorized to charge those fees to our Deposit Account No. 18-0988 under Attorney Docket No. **AVERP3447USA**.

Respectfully submitted,

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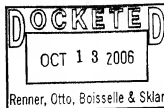
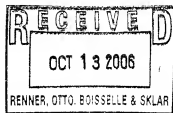
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